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Committee Bill No. 6493

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Referred to Committee on Commerce

Introduced by: (CE)

AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE SMALL TOWN ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 4-66g of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):
- 3 (a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the
- 4 State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time, to
- 5 authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and
- 6 in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate [sixty] one
- 7 <u>hundred</u> million dollars, provided twenty million dollars of said
- 8 authorization shall be effective July 1, 2004, and forty million dollars of
- 9 said authorization shall be effective July 1, 2005.
- 10 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
- amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
- 12 Office of Policy and Management for a Small Town Economic
- 13 Assistance Program the purpose of which shall be to provide grants-
- 14 in-aid to any municipality which (1) is not economically distressed
- 15 within the meaning of subsection (b) of section 32-9p, does not have an

urban center in any plan adopted by the General Assembly pursuant 16 17 to section 16a-30 and is not a public investment community within the 18 meaning of subdivision (9) of subsection (a) of section 7-545, and (2) 19 has a population, as defined in subdivision (27) of section 10-262f, 20 under thirty thousand. Such grants shall be used for purposes for 21 which funds would be available under section 4-66c. No municipality 22 may receive more than five hundred thousand dollars in any one fiscal 23 year under said program.

- (c) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby, which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.
- (d) Any grant-in-aid allowed under the Small Town Economic Assistance Program under this section may be administered on behalf

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